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# **First Nations University Facing CAUT Censure**

THE FIRST NATIONS University of Canada may be censured by CAUT unless the university agrees to remedy gross violations of basic university governance principles, address concerns about academic freedom and respect collective agreements it has negotiated.

Delegates to CAUT's spring Council meeting this month overwhelmingly supported a resolution to censure the university in November if satisfactory steps are not taken to improve governance, academic freedom and respect collective bargaining.

"Censure is an extremely serious action that is very rarely used," said CAUT executive director James Turk. "But First Nations University has violated the most fundamental traditions of university governance, disregarded negotiated agreements and threatened academic freedom. We have an obligation do everything in our power to remedy the situation."

FNUniv was plunged into crisis three years ago when Morley Watson, a vice-chief of the Federation of Saskatchewan Indian Nations (FSIN) and thenchair of the university's board of governors, summarily dismissed several senior administrators, seized the university's central computers and copied the hard drive with all faculty and student records, and ordered administrative staff out of their offices.

In the face of opposition from academic staff, university elders, the University of Regina Faculty Association and CAUT, the FSIN appointed an all-chiefs task force to recommend an appropriate governance model for the university. The task force reported in November 2005 and recommended a much smaller board

largely independent of the FSIN.

"Regrettably, the task force's key governance recommendations were never implemented," Turk said. "Meanwhile, the problems have grown more acute."

Turk said that since Watson's initial intervention, the university has witnessed the dismissal or resignation of the president, two vice-presidents, deans of the three campuses, more than onethird of the academic staff and about half of the administrative, professional and technical staff. Other consequences have been a significant drop in enrollment and in research and special project revenue in addition to a serious financial crisis.

The University of Regina Faculty Association has filed 33 grievances in response to violations of the collective agreement in place for its members at FNUniv. Last year, after concluding negotiations for a collective agreement for academic staff, the university announced that it had insufficient financial resources to implement the agreement.

If censured, FNUniv would face serious difficulties in recruiting and retaining staff and in hosting academic conferences.

"Censure means that the academic community in Canada and abroad will be asked not to accept appointments at a censured institution," Turk said.
"They will also be encouraged not to accept an invitation to be a speaker or otherwise participate in any institution-hosted events or conferences and not to accept any distinction or honour that may be offered by the institution. Academic organizations also will be asked not to hold events at the censured institution.'

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# Saskatchewan Party Gov't **Undermines Labour Rights**

THE SASKATCHEWAN government pushed two laws through the provincial legislature this month that take away the right to strike from thousands of public sector workers, and alter other established labour rights and practices.

Bill 5, the Public Service Essential Services Act, requires public sector unions and employers to begin negotiations on essential services at least 90 days prior to the expiry date of a collective agreement. Essential

members protest the government's anti-union bills outside the legislature In Regina May 1, 2008.

services are defined in Bill 5 as scrvices where a full stop of activity would endanger public health and safety, would cause serious environmental damage or the destruction or serious deterioration of machinery, equipment or premises.

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## LETTERS LETTRES

#### 'Two-state' untenable

APPRECIATE Neil McLaughlin's APPRECIATE Neil McLaugining brief outline of the history of the anti-apartheid protests at McMaster University this spring (Commentary, April Bulletin). I respond to his comment about the usefulness of the phrase "Israeli apartheid" which he sees as potentially compromising a possible two-state solution to the problem.

Unfortunately, the Israel envisaged in the two-state solution would still be a state in which basic rights are differentiated based on ethnic lines, i.e., an apartheid state. For those of us who wish to see an end to such exclusionary regimes, the two-state solution is unacceptable, although it may

be a step on the way to an acceptable long-term solution.

That is the logic of identifying Israeli policies for what they are. Palestinian students and faculty are not being accorded free speech by existing Israeli policies, and I don't see how this will change, barring the ethnic cleansing of four million Palestinians from Israel, given a two-state solution.

Martin Adamson Zoology University of British Columbia

#### A landmark point

WILLIAM BRUNEAU'S review of David Levinc's Powers of the Mind: The Reinvention of Liberal Learning

in America (Bookshelf, April Bulletin) takes the author to task for a Chicago-focused approach to developments in liberal education and an apparent ignorance of related progress in Canada. Professor Bruneau asks: "Was U of C entirely unaware of things happening just across Lake Michigan?" I don't know if U of C was or was not aware of things happening "just across Lake Michigan," but based on my atlas, I'm pretty sure they were aware that such things were or were not happening in the State of Michigan.

Iim Buttle Ceography Trent University

## La ligne dure l'emporte sur le bon sens

E GOUVERNEMENT de la L'Saskatchewan a fait adopter deux lois par l'assemblée législative provinciale ce mois-ci. Ces lois privent des milliers d'employés du secteur publie de leur droit de grève et modifient d'autres droits et pratiques bien établis en matière de travail.

Le projet de loi 5, intitulé Public Service Essential Services Act, exige des syndicats et des employeurs du secteur public qu'ils commencent les négociations sur les services essentiels au moins 90 jours avant l'expiration de la convention collective. Ce projet de loi définit les services essentiels comme étant des activités dont l'arrêt complet pourrait menacer la santé et la sécurité publiques, causer de sérieux dommages à l'environnement ou encore entraîner la destruction ou la détérioration de la machinerie, du matériel ou des installations.

Si aucune entente n'est conclue à la table des négociations, la liste des services essentiels à maintenir en eas

de grève ou de lock-out qui prévaudra sera celle établie par l'employeur. En vertu de la loi précédente, les syndicats de la Saskatchewan pouvaient

définir les services essentiels. Larry Hubich, président de la Saskatchewan Federation of Labour, affirme qu'avec cette mesure, les employeurs verront pcu d'avantages à négocier une entente équitable en matière de services essentiels, puisqu'en cas d'échec des négociations, ils auront le pouvoir de déterminer unilatérale-ment le nombre et même le type d'employés qui n'ont pas droit de grève.

« Les employeurs ne seront pas enclins à s'entendre avec les employés sur les services essentiels », soutient M. Hubich. « Et pourquoi le seraient-ils si, en fin de compte, ils risquent d'être tenus responsables des eonséquences? »

Il ajoute que les syndicats de la Saskatchewan « ont toujours assuré la prestation des services essentiels » aux citoyens de la province en situation de

grève. À son avis, la loi reflète les positions idéologiques « d'extrême droite » du Saskatchewan Party.

« C'est un cas grave d'ingérence politique », souligne M. Hubich. « Cette loi est ahsolument injustifiée, car la sécurité du public a toujours été la priorité absolue des syndicats. C'est une action réellement interventionniste puisque la sécurité n'a jamais été compromise. »

La loi s'applique à tous les employeurs puhlies, y compris les universités de Regina et de la Saskatchewan.

Le projet de loi 6, qui vise à modi-fier le Trade Union Act, abolit l'accréditation syndicale automatique et augmente à 45 le pourcentage minimal de bulletins signés requis pour déclencher un vote, soit le seuil le plus élevé au Canada.

« C'est inadmissible », a déclaré James Turk, directeur général de

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at the bargaining table, an employer's list of essential services to be maintained during a strike or lockout would prevail. Under former legislation, unions in Saskatchewan were allowed to designate essential services.

Saskatchewan Federation of Labour president Larry Hubich said he finds it unlikely employers will find any incentive to negotiate a fair essential services agreement because failure to do so ultimately allows them to unilaterally define the numbers of workers and even individuals who can't strike.

"Employers are not going to be too likely to agree to essential services," Hubich said. "Why would they, when by doing so they may ineur liability down the road?"

Hubich says Saskatchewan unions have always provided emergency services" to the province's citizens during strikes and the legislation is a reflection of the "hard right" ideological position of the Saskatchewan Party government.

This is significant political interference. There is absolutely no justification for this legislation because unions have always put public safety first," he said. "It's really intrusive because safety has never been an issue.'

The Act applies to every public employer, including the University of Regina and University of Saskatchewan.

Bill 6, the Trade Union Amendment Act, abolishes automatic union certification and raises the minimum percentage of signed eards needed to trigger a vote to 45 per cent, the highest threshold in Canada.

"Unreasonable," said CAUT executive director James Turk, when asked about the legislation. "There's nothing fair or balanced in these bills. The overriding intent is to weaken the ability of employees to excrcise their right to freedom of association and bargain collectively."

Both Turk and Hubich point to the June 2007 decision of the Supreme Court of Canada that struck down parts of British Columbia's Health and Social Services Delivery Improvement Act, while confirming the constitutional right of freedom of association and the procedural right to collective bargaining.

The case involved unions in B.C.'s healthcare sector and their members, who challenged the constitutional validity of the law as violating the guarantee of freedom of association and equality protected by the Canadian Charter of Rights

Hubich said Saskatchewan public sector unions are now contemplating a similar legal challenge.

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Censure was last imposed in 1979 on Memorial University of Newfoundland and on the University of Calgary.

Turk said CAUT will meet with representatives from FNUniv on June 24 to discuss concerns.

"We're looking forward to that opportunity to sit down with the First Nations University and see if we can work out a mutually satisfactory solution," he added.

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## PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

## **CAUT President: The Best Job in the World**



By GREG ALLAIN

Over THE LAST TWO YEARS, I've often been asked: "How do you like heing president of CAUT?" and, "It must be a lot of work?" And I always replied that of course it's a lot of work, it's a full-time job, but I absolutely love it! In fact, I think it's the best job in the world. Let me explain.

As a sociologist, one of my areas of interest is work - how it's evolved, how it's organized and by whom and in whose interest. One of the classes I teach is "Industrial and Post-Industrial Societies," where I look at the factors affecting the organization of work and how corporations shift jobs around in our globalized economy, leaving battered communities and regions in their wake. I also teach the "Sociology of Trade Unions," showing how unions have a strong history of working to stop corporations' attacks against workers and build bargaining power, and leading the collective resistance to employers' unvarying quest for control of the workplace and the maximum increase in profit possible.

In addition, as a union activist, I've been involved in my local academic staff association at the University of Monctoo for a number of years, including four years as president. I led our first strike in March 2000, where we won significant gains for

faculty and librarians, including serious inroads into achieving salary parity with our English-speaking colleagues in New Brunswick, Just as important, during those five weeks when we were out on the picket lines, our 300 members got to know each other and learned much about the power of solidarity.

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So it was a great privilege, and a great joy, to be elected to the CAUT executive in April 2000, where I successively served as a member-at-large, treasurer and vice-president, before being elected president in 2006. And it's not the position that's important: it's having the opportant: it's having the opportant: to work for a progressive organization that

has become not only the leading voice of university and college academic staff across Canada, but also a growing and engaged organization that strives to make a difference in the complex and rapidly changing landscape of Canadian post-secondary education. Here are just a few examples.

One of the major threats to the quality of post-secondary education is government underfunding. Since the mid-1980s, the great deficiency in our universities and colleges is a paucity of core funding. Just to go back to the funding levels of 1994-1995, allowing for inflation and population growth, would require an immediate injec-

tion of approximately \$4 billion into the post-secondary education sector.

The chronic underfunding has resulted in university and college administrators scrambling to find new sources of revenue: skyrocketing tuition fees, which are increasing debt loads for students and curtailing open access; the ever-heightened call to commer-

cialize research and privatize higher learning institutions, and the growing casualization of academic work, as employers increasingly search for "flexibility" and cheap labour.

These are formidable trends to be up against, but CAUT has been very proactive in its efforts on these fronts. Our annual Parliament Hill day con-

tinues to be at the forefront of our lobbying efforts to try and convince the federal government of the crucial importance of increased and reliable core funding for our institutions. Our Post-secondary Education Act has served as a very useful pedagogical device in illustrating the type of legal framework that could achieve adequate funding. Among other means CAUT uses to further that end is its annual brief to the House of Commons Standing Committee on Finance, joint federal lobbying work with colleagues in Quebec's Fédération québècoise des professeures et professeurs d'université, writing to MPs and presenting

at national education conferences.

While the feds have channeled more money into research in recent years, the extra funds usually come with strings attached. Research funding plans often call for co-funding from private or other sources and they distort academic and collegial priorities by heavily favouring certain fields—health and natural sciences over social sciences and humanities, for instance. In the last two federal hudget, the increases allocated to the three granting councils were targeted to specific priority areas.

The fight for better public funding of higher education is going to be a long-term one. How legislators fail to understand that universal demand for post-secondary education is growing and the importance of R&D for our economy is beyond me. I'd sometimes be tempted to yell: "Heyl It's not a cost, it's an investment!"

One area where CAUT has achieved spectacular success is in organizing contract academic staff. In 2000, a decision was made to organize all unorganized contract academics across Canada. An organizer was hired, a contract academic stall committee of the executive was created and, in the space of eight short years, we can safely say: mission accomplished. More than 10,000 contract academics are now unionized within faculty associations, either in the same bargaining unit or in a separate one. That is a considerable achievement!

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# LE MOT DU PRÉSIDENT

# Président de l'ACPPU : Le meilleur job au monde

Par GREG ALLAIN

CES DEUX DERNIÈRES annécs, on m'a souvent demandé: « Comment trouvez-vous votre poste de président de l'ACPPU? » et « Cela doit représenter beaucoup de travail? » J'ai toujours répondu qu'évidemment cela représente beaucoup de travail, que cela m'occupe à temps plein, mais que j'en suis absolument ravi! En fait, je crois que c'est le meilleur job au monde. Permettez-moi de m'expliquer.

Comme sociologue, je m'intéresse notamment à la question du travail : son évolution, son organisation, de même que les gens qui exercent une influence à ce chapitre et les intérêts ainsi servis. L'un des cours que je donne porte sur les sociétés industrielles et postindustrielles. J'y aborde les facteurs qui déterminent l'organisation du travail et la façon dont les entreprises déplacent les emplois dans notre économie de plus en plus soumise aux effets de la mondialisation, hissant dans leur sillage des collectivités et des régions bouleversées. Je donne également un cours sur la sociologie du syndicalisme, où j'explique comment les syndicats ont agi

avec force pour parer les offensives des entreprises à l'endroit des travailleurs, renforcer leur pouvoir de négociation et jouer un rôle moteur dans la résistance collective à la quête constante que poursuivent les employeurs pour contrôler le milieu de travail et accroître leurs profits au maximum. En outre, à titre de militant syndical, j'ai

En outre, à ûtre de militant syndical, j'ai participé pendant quelques années à l'association du personnel académique de l'Université de Moncton, que j'ai présidée pendant quatre ans. J'ai piloté notre première grève en mars 2000, qui nous a permis de faire d'importants gains pour les professeurs et les bibliothécaires, notamment d'effectuer des pereées significatives vers l'équité salariale avec nos collègues anglophones du Nouveau-Brunswick. Surtout, pendant les cinq semaines passées sur les piquets de grève, les 300 membres ont eu l'occasion d'apprendre à se connaître et de prendre conscience du pouvoir de la solidarité.

J'ai donc été très heureux d'avoir le privilége d'être élu au comité de direction de l'ACPPU en avril 2000, dont j'ai été successivement membre ordinaire, trésorier et vice-président, avant d'être élu à la présidence en 2006. Détenir le titre de président n'était pas ce qui m'importait le plus; j'étais surtout heureux d'avoir la chance de travailler au sein d'un organisme progressiste qui non seulement est devenu le principal porte-parole des membres du personnel académique des universités et des collèges du Canada, mais qui est également un organisme en pleine expansion et déterminé à contribuer au façonnement du paysage complexe de l'éducation post escondaire au Canada, qui évolue à un rythme accéléré. En voici quelques exemples.

Le sous-financement public constitue Punc des principales menaces à la qualité de l'éducation postsecondaire. Depuis le milieu des années 1980, l'insuffisance du financement de base accordé à nos universités et collèges représente une grande lacune. Si l'on voulait simplement porter le niveau de financement des établissements à celui qui avait cours en 1994-1995, compte tenu de l'inflation et de la croissance démographique, il faudrait injecter immédiatement environs 4 milliards de dollars dans le secteur de l'éducation postsecondaire.

À cause du sous-financement chronique,

les administrateurs des universités et des collèges font des pieds et des mains pour trouver de nouvelles sources de revenus : les frais de scolarité ont monté en flèche, ce qui alourdit la dette des étudiants et réduit l'accès aux études; on cherche de plus en plus à commercialiser les résultats de recherche et à privatiser les établissements d'enseignement supérieur, le travail académique est de plus en plus précaire, les employeurs recherchant de plus en plus des ressources humaines « flexibles » et de la main-d'œuvre à bon marché.

Voilà autant de tendances qu'il est impérieux de combattre, et l'ACPPU est très active sur ces fronts. Notre Journée annuelle sur la Colline du Parlement demeure centrale dans nos activités de lobbying destinées à convaincre le gouvernement fédéral de l'importance cruciale d'accorder à nos établissements un financement accru et assuré. Notre projet de Loi canadienne sur l'enseignement postsecondaire est un très bon exemple du type de cadre juridique permetant d'établir un financement adéquat. Pour atteindre ce but, l'ACPPU met en œuvre

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The next challenge, of course, is to help them bargain favourable collective agreements. We have helped our local associations in negotiating significant gains in part-timers' working conditions and pay and our next objective is to bargain the pro-rata model, which defines and compensates part-time work as a percentage of full-time work.

CAUT has helped many associations achieve victories in collective bargaining, in spite of the fact that employer aggression is becoming a more prevalent part of bargaining. In fact, our university and college employers now often fail to take bargaining demands seriously until a strike vote has been held, or sometimes not before association members go out on strike.

In recent times, I've walked the picket lines with striking colleagues at the University of Prince Edward

Island, Bishop's, Acadia and St. Thomas. The solidarity, determination, organization and good cheer our colleagues displayed on the picket lines and at local rallies was outstanding. An ominous note, however, was the preemptive lockout over the Christmas holidays of academic staff at St. Thomas University, an institution that prides itself on its Catholic image. Shame on you, STU governors and administrators! We can only hope this unprecedented move by a university administration proves to be an anomaly

I could speak of many other areas where CAUT has been at the vanguard, such as in the fight to defend academic freedom. We usually only hear about the most serious cases, where a committee of inquiry is set up to find out what has happened, but there are many others. Constant vigilance is of the utmost importance, as well as a vigorous defense of academic fireedom, whenever and wherever it is under attack!

In recent years, CAUT has

established itself as a serious player on the international scene. With modest means, we have been able to exert considerable influence within Education International, a global federation with more than 30 million members from 171 countries. I was particularly proud of presenting CAUT's first motion at EI's 5th World Congress in Berlin last July — a broad and strong resolution championing the rights of contract academics that was approved unanimously by the meeting.

I was also pleased to make presentations on the Canadian situation at the 6th El Higher Education Conference in Malaga in October and at a national teachers' unions conference in Washington in March. In addition, CAUT was instrumental in setting up the North American El Higher Education Caucus, where we meet twice yearly with our Quebec and American colleagues to exchange information and devise joint action plans to further the work of

EI on issues such as opposing OECD initiatives on higher education and monitoring CATS talks for market opening commitments, which could eventually include the higher education sector.

Yes, there are a lot of meetings, workshops and conferences to attend when you're CAUT president. I've always relished the opportunity to welcome people to CAUT events and to participate in other meetings, whether it is the CAUT Defence Fund meeting, provincial meetings, the western regional, or the annual meetings of member associations celcbrating a special anniversary or occasion. All of these were valuable and rewarding and my favourite part of traveling was the opportunity to meet up with so many wonderful colleagues from all over Canada.

This is my last column as CAUT president. I have really enjoyed writing these monthly pieces. I tried to focus on topics that matter to all of us such as working conditions (health and

safety, occupational stress and bullying) and the work associations do (bargaining, grievances and communications) and the challenges they face, particularly association leadership renewal. I'm particularly proud of the four-part series "What a Difference 12 Years Make: CAUT on the Move," in which I document, in the absence of an official history of the organization, the tremendous growth in CAUT involvements over the last few years.

CAUT is a great organization to serve, and I want to thank all my fellow executive committee members for their hard work and commitment. I also want to warmly thank our professional and dedicated stall, and in particular our very effective and hardworking executive director, James Turk, for leading the way and getting everything done. It's been a privilege to work closely with him and all other members of staff. These have been two of the most rewarding years of my life! Long live CAUT! ■

#### Le meilleur job

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plusieurs moyens, dont la présentation d'un mémoire annuel au Comité permanent des finances de la Chambre des communes, des activités de lobbying auprès du gouvernement fedéral en collaboration avec la Fédération quèbécoise des professeures et des professeurs d'université, l'envoi de lettres aux députés et la présentation d'exposés dans le cadre de conférences nationales sur l'éducation.

Le gouvernement fédéral a certes accru son appoi à la recherche au cours des dernières années, mais les fonds supplémentaires accordés sont généralement conditionnels. Les plans de linancement de la recherche exigent souvent la participation d'autres bailleurs de fonds, notamment issus du secteur privé, et détournent les priorités des universitaires en favorisant grandement certains domaines, par exemple, les projets dans le domaine de la santé et des sciences naturelles au détriment des sciences sociales et linmaines. Les fonds supplémentaires accordés aux trois conseils subventionnaires pour la recherche dans les deux derniers budgets fédéraux ciblaient des domaines prioritaires bien précis.

La lutte pour obtenir un meilleur financement public de l'enseignement supérieur est loin d'être terminée. Que les législateurs ne recounaissent pas que, partout dans le monde, la demande relative à l'éducation postsecondaire est en pleine expansion et que la R-D est importante pour noure économie, voilà qui me sidère. Il m'arrive parfois d'avoir envie de hurler : « Hè les gars, ce n'est pas une dépense, c'est un investissement!»

La syndicalisation du personnel

académique contractuel est un domaine où l'ACPPU a connu un succès spectaculaire. En 2000, il a été décidé d'aniener tous les membres contractuels du personnel académique au Canada qui ne sont pas syndiques à le faire. On a embauché un responsable de la syndicalisation, un sous-comité du comité de direction a été mis sur pied, et huit ans plus tard, nous pouvons dire sans nous tromper que c'est mission accomplie: plus de 10 000 membres contractuels du personnel académique sont maintenant syndiqués par l'en-

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tremise de leur association de personnel académique, que ce soit au sein de la même unité de négociation ou d'une autre. Il s'agit d'une énorme réussite!

Le prochain défi consiste évidemment à aider nos nouveaux collègues à négocier de meilleurs contrats. Nous avons aidé nos associations locales à négocier d'importants gains quant aux conditions de travail et à la rémunération des employés à temps partiel, et notre prochain objectif est de négocier un modèle de rémunération au prorata, selon lequel la rémunération du travail à temps partiel représente un certain pourcentage de celle du travail à temps plein.

L'ACPPU a aidé de nombreuses associations à remporter des victoires dans les négociations collectives, en dépit du fait que les employeurs se montrent de plus

en plus durs. En fait, la direction des universités et des collèges prend rarement les revendications du personnel au sérieux avant la tenue d'un vote de grève, voire, dans certains cas, avant le déclenchement d'une grève.

Sur les piquets de grève et lors de rassemblements locaux, j'ai eu le privilège ces dernières années de côtoyer des collègues de l'Université de l'Île-du-Prince-Édouard, de l'Université Bishop's, de l'Université Acadia et de l'Université St. Thomas. Tous ont fait preuve d'une solidarité, d'une détermination, d'une mobilisation et d'une jovialité exemplaires dans les circonstances. Le lock-out préventif qui a touché le personnel académique de l'Université St. Thomas pendant le congé des Fêtes constitue toutefois une tache pour cet établissement qui s'enorgueillit de son image basée sur les valeurs catholiques. Honte aux dirigeants et aux administrateurs de l'Université St. Thomas! Espérons que ce geste sans précédent commis par une administration universitaire se révèle une exception.

Les dossiers dans lesquels PACPPU a été aux avant-postes ne manquent pas, notamment dans le cas de la défense de la liberté académique. En règle générale, nous n'entendons parler que des cas les plus graves, dans lesquels un comité d'enquête est mis sur pied pour déterminer ce qui s'est passé, mais il survient en fait beaucoup d'autres cas. Il est de la plus haute importance de demeurer vigilants et de défendre la liberté académique avec vigueur chaque fois au'elle est menacée!

Ces dernières annèes, l'ACPPU s'est imposée comme un joueur important sur la scène internationale. Malgré les moyens modestes dont nous disposions, nous avons su exercer une influence considérable au sein de l'Internationale de l'Éducation (IE), un organisme international qui regroupe plus de 30 millions de membres de 171 pays. C'est avec une fierté toute particulière que j'ai présenté la première motion de l'ACPPU lors du 5° Congrés montial de l'IE, qui s'est tenu à Berlin en juillet dernier. Il s'agissait d'une résolution ferme et de large portée défendant les droits du personnel académique contractuel, que l'assemblée a approuvée à l'unanimité.

J'ai également eu le plaisir de présenter des exposés sur la situation de l'éducation postsecondaire au Canada lors de la 6c Conférence sur l'enseignement supérieur de l'IE, qui s'est tenue à Malaga en octobre dernier, ainsi que lors d'un colloque syndical national sur l'enseignement supérieur, à Waslungton en mars. Par ailleurs. l'ACPPU a joué un rôle central dans l'organisation du Caucus Enseignement Supérieur de l'IE, où deux fois l'an nous partageons de l'information et concevons des plans d'action conjoints avec des collègues du Québec et des États-Unis pour faire avancer les dossiers de l'IE, notamment pour ce qui est de contrer certaines initiatives de l'OCDE sur l'enseignement supérieur et de faire le suivi des discussions sur l'AGCS relatives aux engagements pris au chapitre de l'ouverture des marchés, qui pourraient éventuellement s'appliquer au secteur de l'enseignement supérieur.

À titre de président de l'ACPPU, j'ai été appelé à assister à de nombreuses réunions et à participer à de nombreus ateliers et conférences. J'ai toujours adoré accueillir les gens aux évênements de l'ACPPU et participer à diverses réunions (Caisse de d'Élènse de l'ACPPU, réunions provinciales, associations de l'Ouest ou réunions annuelles des associations membres soulignant un anniver-

saire ou une occasion spéciale). Toutes ces rencontres se sont révélècs précieuses et gratifiantes, et ce que j'ai le plus apprécié, dans mes déplacements, c'est d'avoir pu rencontrer autant de collègues merveilleux partout au pays.

Vous lisez actuellement ma dernière rubrique à titre de président de l'ACPPU. La rédaction de ces textes mensuels a été un pur plaisir. l'ai tenté de traiter de sujets qui nous intéressent tous, par exemple les conditions de travail (santé et sécurité, stress au travail et harcèlement psychologique) et le travail réalisé par les associations (négociations, griefs et communications) ainsi que les défis qu'elles doivent relever, notamment le renouvellement de la direction. Je suis particulièrement fier de la série de quatre articles intitulés « Quelle différence 12 ans peuvent faire! L'ACPPU en mouvement », où j'ai voulu rendre compte, en l'absence d'un historique officiel de l'organisme, de l'extraordinaire croissance et de la multiplication des interventions de l'ACPPU au cours des dernières années

Il est extrêmement gratifiant de travailler pour un organisme comme l'ACPPU, et je tiens à remercier tous mes collègues du comité de direction de leur ardeur au travail et de leur dévouement. Je remercie également chaleureusement notre personnel professionnel et dévoué, et tout particulièrement James Turk, notre directeur général, pour son leadership exemplaire et son travail sans relache pour s'assurer que tous les projets sont menés à bien. Cela a été un privilège de collaborer étroitement avec lui et avec tous les autres membres du personnel. Les deux dernières années ont été parmi les plus merveilleuses de ma vie!

# **York: Ontario Human Rights Commission to Determine Fate of Holiday Policy**

AN INVESTIGATOR with the Ontario Human Rights Commission has filed her case report in a complaint involving York University's decades-long practice of cancelling classes on Jewish holidays.

York professor David Noble went to the commission only after complaining for years to university officials that the practice is unfair and discriminates against him and students who aren't of the Jewish faith.

"The university's practice of not scheduling classes on Jewish high holy days clearly results in differential treatment on the basis of creed, in that individuals in one group (those of Jewish faith) are given preferential treatment over others," the investigator's report says.

Noble told the investigator that after news of his objections became public knowledge, he was harassed by work colleagues and students who were outraged at "his purported betrayal of his 'fellow Jews'." Noble said he complained twice to York security about threats and aggressive behaviour of a particular new properties.

ticularly hostile Jewish student.

After the investigator's report was released in late March, several media outlets reported incorrectly that the commission had ruled in Noble's favour. In fact, the report is only the first step in the investigation and the case has not yet come before the commissioners for a decision.

By law, the commission is required to receive and investigate all complaints filed as well as try to settle them at any stage in the process.

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# **FAUST Does Justice: A Celebration of Solidarity**

RETURNING to work after a lockout and a strike isn't easy, but a private concert starring Bruce Gockburn does help ease the pain.

That's what members and supporters of the Faculty Association of the University of St. Thomas (FAUST) got on April 18, marking the end of difficult and lengthy contract negotiations between the union and the university administration over the preceding months.

"We approached Bruce about an event, and much to our delight he quickly said yes," said Dawn Morgan, a member of the faculty union's executive.

Cockburn was awarded an honorary doctorate from St. Thomas University in 1999 for his work towards advancing social justice in Latin America and Canada.

Morgan said Cockburn drove from New York to Fredericton for the concert, which was held at a downtown club. The event was closed to the public.

The union usually hosts an end of term celebration, but Morgan said "something special" was in order this year. Cockburn donated his time and talent to the evening, playing for 70 minutes for the crowd.

"He just slipped into town for the event and it was fabulous. At one point, we were all singing along to Wondering Where the Lions Are," Morgan said, refer-

Canadian singer-songwriter Bruce Cockburn, seen here performing at the United Nations Climate Change Convention in Montreal on December 7, 2005, donated his time and talent for a FAUST-hosted gathering last month.

ring to Cockburn's 1979 Top 40 hit from the Dancing in the Dragon's Jaws album.

FAUST members were locked out on Dec. 27 and the focus of the dispute changed abruptly when the faculty went out on strike two weeks later. The strike ended in February with a tentative agreement to settle outstanding issues through binding arbitration.

Morgan said all faculty association members, as well as colleagues from other unions, were invited to the concert, and that organizers had hoped FAUST members who didn't support the strike would show up for the concert.

"The healing process will continue, and we did invite those members, hoping they would come. We were disappointed they didn't." Morgan said.

But local CUPE inembers who supported the faculty union during the strike, and who resisted crossing picket lines, did show up. Morgan noted that some of the younger concert-goers who hadn't heard Cockburn's music before, were "just blown away."

# Winners, 2008 CAUT Journalism Awards

A CELEBRATION of excellence in Canadian journalism was hosted this month at CAUT's Council meeting.

The 2008 Awards for Excellence in Education Journalism were handed out in Ottawa on May 2 and May 3 to Globe and Mail reporter Elizabeth Church, in the professional media category, for her June 2007 article "Research Funding: Humanitics Seek Greater Understanding," and Ion Roe, in the student news writing category, for his work in covering the controversial connection between the University of Calgary and the Friends of Science, a Calgarybased group linked to the Alberta oil industry.

Presented annually by CAUT, the awards recognize journalistic excellence among Ganadian students and journalists for a composition on a current issue facing postsecondary education in Ganada.

Church, a veteran, award-winning business writer before becoming the Globe's full-time post-secondary education reporter



Elizabeth Church

last year, and Roe, who works as a writer and editor-in-chief for the Gauntlet, the independent student newspaper of the University of Calgary, each received a cheque for \$1,000 and a certification.

cate of award.

"I'm very grateful to be recognized," said Church. "I look forward to working in the sector for many more years so many stories are so important to the future of post-secondary education."

Roe, 21, who's studying economics at the University of Calgary, admits the award eame



Jon Roe

as a surprise.

"It's not something I expected, and I'm thrilled that my report was well received as I do think it's an important issue," Roe said.

The winners are selected by an independent jury, which this year included freelance journalist and author Frances Russell (formerly of the Winnipeg Free Press), Mike Gasher, a Concordia University journalism professor, and Jim Bronskill, a reporter in the Ottawa bureau of the Canadian Press news agency and a lecturer at Carleton University.

# Lauréats 2008 des prix d'excellence de l'ACPPU en journalisme

Une celébration de l'excellence en journalisme canadien a eu lieu lors de l'assemblée du Conseil de l'ACPPU ce mois-ci.

Les prix d'excellence en journalisme dans le domaine de l'éducation postsecondaire de 2008 ont été décernés à Ottawa les 2 et 3 mai derniers. Dans la catégorie professionnelle, la journaliste Elizabeth Church, du Globe aud Mail, a été récompensée pour son article de juin 2007 intitulé Research Funding: Humanities Seek Greater Understanding. Pour sa part, Jon Roe a remporté le prix dans la catégorie étudiante pour son reportage sur le lien controversé entre l'Université de Calgary et les Amis de la science, un groupe lié à l'industrie pétrolière en Alberta, lequel est établi à Calgary.

Décernés chaque annèe par l'ACPPU, ces prix récompensent l'excellence journalistique parmi les étudiants et les journalistes canadiens qui consacrent un article à un sujet d'actualité lié à l'éducation postsecondaire au Canada.

Avant de devenir l'an dernier la journaliste du Globe spécialisée en éducation, une tâche qui l'occupe à plein temps, M<sup>oue</sup> Church était une auteure chevronnée spécialisée en affaires, et dont le travail a été primé. M. Roe est, quant à lui, journaliste et rédacteur en chef du journal étudiant indépendant de l'Université de Calgary, le Gauntlet. Tous deux ont reçu un chèque de 1 000 \$ et un certificat de mérite.

« Je suis très contente qu'on reconnaisse mon talent », a déclaré M<sup>nie</sup> Chureh. « Je me réjouis à la perspective de travailler dans ce domaine pendant encore de nombreuses aunées. En effet, il y a tant de sujets importants à aborder pour le bien de l'avenir de l'éducation postsecondaire. »

M. Roe, âgé de 21 ans et étudiant en économie à l'Université de Calgary, admet que recevoir ce prix lui a causé une véritable surprise.

« Je ne m'y attendais pas et je suis enchanté que mon reportage ait été bien reçu, car je crois qu'il traite d'un thème des plus importants », a-t-il expliqué.

Les lauréats sont sélectionnés par un jury indépendant qui, cette année, était composé de Frances Russell, journaliste pigiste et auteure (auparavant journaliste au l'imițheg Free Press), de Mike Gasher, professeur en journalisme à l'Université Concordia, et de Jim Bronskill, journaliste au bureau d'Ottawa de la Presse Canadienne et chargé de cours à l'Université Carleton.

## HOMEWORK!

#### Retrieving the Hat

The Humber River flows towards Lake Ontario at the rate of  $3 \, \text{km/h}$ . Ahab is rowing upstream; his speed relative to the river flow is  $5 \, \text{km/h}$ . Just as he passes under the Bloor Street bridge, his hat falls out of his boat, but he doesn't notice it's missing until 20 minutes later. He immediately turns around to retrieve it, again rowing  $5 \, \text{km/h}$  relative to the river flow. How far below the hridge has his hat travelled by the time he retrieves it?

Homework! comes to readers compliments of Edward Barbeau, professor of mathematics at the University of Toronto. Answer on page A6.

# Distinguished Academic

The CAUT Distinguished Academic Award recognizes an academic who has excelled in each of the three principal aspects of academic life: teaching, research and service to the institution and to the community. The recipient will be an individual whose teaching, research and service has contributed significantly to the lives of students, to their institution, to their field of study and to the community. The award is given annually.

Nominations for the award may be submitted by individuals, member associations or others. Deadline for nominations is June 25, 2008

Nommators should submit a letter explaining the rationale for the nomination and give detailed information on the nominee's record in teaching, research and service. It is essential that the nominator provide information for each of these three areas as excellence in all three is a requirement for eligibility for the award. The nommator should also include documentation that would help the jury in its decision making. It is the responsibility of the nominators to provide all necessary information as the jury will review only the material it receives.

Nominations will be adjudicated by a jury of the most recent former presidents of CAUT. The jury's recommendation will be made to the fall Council for approval.

The award will be presented at the spring CAUT Council meeting. The recipient will be invited to give an address to Council, which will be subsequently published by CAUT. The recipient will receive a \$1,000 honorarium with the award.

Please send nominations by mail, fax or email to: CAUT DISTINGUISHED ACADEMIC AWARD Canadian Association of University Teachers 2705 Queensview Drive, Ottawa, Ontario K2B 8Kz Fax (613) 820-7244; Email: acppu@caut.ca

# PRIX DE L' TACPU POUR services émérites

Le prix de l'ACPPU pour services emerites, décemé tous les ans, souligne le travail d'un membre du personnel académique qui a excellé dans chacun des trois principaux aspects de la vie universitaire ou collégiale : l'enseignement, la recherche et les services à l'établissement et à la communauté. Le lauréat ou la lauréate sera une personne qui, par ses enseignement, recherche et services, aura contribué de fajon marquee à la vie de ses étudiants, de son établissement, de son domaine d'étude et de la communauté.

Les candidatures peuvent être soumises par toute personne, association membre ou autre partie intéressée. La date limite pour le dépôt des candidatures est le **25 juin 2008**.

partie inicressee. La date imitie pour le depot des candidatures est le 23 più 2008. Les auteurs d'une proposition de candidature doivent joindre au dossier une lettre qui justifie la candidature ainsi qu'une description détaillée des activités ctràlisations de la personne proposée dans les domaines de l'enseignement, de la recherche et des services. Il est essentiel que cette information porte sur chacun de ces troits domaines parce que l'une des conditions d'admissibilité au prix est d'avoir excellé dans les trois. Les auleurs d'une proposition de candi dature doivent aussi inductue les documents qui pourraient aider le jury dans sa prise de décisions. Ces auleurs ont la responsabilité de fournir tous les renseignements utiles parce que le jury n'examinera que la documentation reçue.

Les candidatures seront évaluées par un jury formé des plus récents anciens présidents de l'ACPPU. La recommandation du jury sera soumise à l'approbation du Conseil à son assemblée d'automne.

Le prix sera temis lors de l'assemblée printanière du Conseil de l'ACPPU. Le laurèat ou la lauréate sera invité(e) à prononcer devant le Conseil une allocution que l'ACPPU publiera par la suste, il ou elle recevra des honoraires de mille dollars en plus du prix.

Venillez adresser les candidatures par la poste. télécopieur ou courriel à : PRIX DE L'ACPPU POUR SERVICES ÉMÉRITES Association canadienne des professeures et professeurs d'université 2705, promenade Queensview, Ottava (Ontario) Kali BKa Télécopieur; (619) 80-7244, Cournet : 24090@Calik.ce

#### **Answer to Homework!**

From page A5. Relative to the water, Ahab is pulling away from the hat as fast as he subsequently returns to it, so it takes him 20 minutes to retrieve his hat. By this time, the hat has travelled one km towards Lake Ontario from the Bloor Street bridge.

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# OECD Report Points Higher Education in Wrong Direction, CAUT Says

A MAJOR OECD report released last month on higher education is recommending governments play a more active role in "steering" universities and colleges while raising tuition fees.

The report results from a three-year review of higher education policy in 24 industrialized countries and found that the main challenges facing governments and institutions are how to ensure greater accountability, diversify sources of funding, promote quality and build stronger links with the labour market.

According to the report authors, governments can best meet these challenges by developing performance-based funding mechanisms, subsidizing education studies offered by private and for-profit providers and requiring students to share the costs of financing their education.

But CAUT associate executive director David Robinson said many of the recommendations in the report would have serious consequences for academic staff.

"The overall direction is on ensuring greater government

control over universities and colleges, a more vocational learning focus for higher education and expansion of business sponsorship and privatization," he said.

Robinson said while he welcomes the report's findings that academics should focus less on the commercialization of R&D results and more on public dissemination, he warns that recommendations for changes to academic staffing, including the casualization of academic work, are some of the more "troubling aspects" of the report.

Although the report notes there is a need to make academic careers more attractive, Robinson says the central recommendations would undermine this goal. The report acknowledges that casualization has increased, but it nevertheless calls for universities and colleges to adopt "more flexible" employment contracts.

The report recognizes that academic staff salaries are too low, but argues that rather than providing a general pay increase to everyone (which it says would prove too costly), institutions

should have broad discretion over tying salaries to merit.

"If there's anything we've learned about merit pay it's this; it's extremely expensive to administer, it's almost always seen as arbitrary and it makes almost everyone unhappy," Robinson stressed.

The report also argues for the unbundling of academic work by separating teaching from research and claims the tenure system may not in fact be needed to guarantee academic freedom. It concludes that institutions need to find ways to "reconcile academic freedom with institutional goals."

"There's a very poor and narrow understanding of academic freedom in the report," said Robinson. "Academic freedom also includes the right of academics to express their opinion about the institution or system in which they work, free from censorship. The OECD report suggests that academic freedom ends when conflicts arise between academics and institutional priorities. This view represents a serious restriction on academic freedom." 

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# Un rapport de l'OCDE fait état de résultats discutables, selon l'ACPPU

UN IMPORTANT RAPPORT publié le mois dernier par POrganisation de coopération et de développement économiques (OCDE) recommande que les gouvernements jouent un rôle plus actif dans la « direction » des universités et les collèges tout en augmentant les frais de scolarité.

Ce rapport, rédigé d'après les résultats d'un examen de trois ans des politiques touchant l'enscignement supérieur dans 24 pays industrialisés, indique que les principaux défis auxquels font face les gouvernements et les établissements d'enscignement relèvent des moyens à entreprendre pour assurer une meilleure reddition de comptes, diversifier les sources de financement, promouvoir la qualité et tisser des liens plus solides avec le marché du travail.

Selon les auteurs du rapport, les gouvernements peuvent mieux traiter ces enjeux en élaborant des mécanismes de financement axés sur le rendement, en subventionnant des études axées sur l'éducation offerte par le secteur privé et les établissements à but lucratif et en exigeant des étudiants qu'ils assument une partie des coûts de leur formation.

Mais David Robinson, directeur général associé de l'Association canadienne des professeurs et professeurs d'université (ACPPU), affirme que nombre des recommandations du rapport pourraient avoir de séricuses conséquences pour le personnel académique.

« Dans l'ensemble, elles visent à assurer un plus grand contrôle du gouvernement sur les universités et les collèges, un enseignement supérieur axé davantage sur la formation professionnelle, ainsi que l'augmentation du parrainage commercial et de la privatisation », explique-t-il.

explique-t-il.

Bien qu'il accueille favorablement les conclusions du rapport
appelant les établissements à se
concentrer davantage sur la diffusion des résultats de R-D auprès
du public plutôt que sur leur commercialisation, M. Robinson met
en garde contre les recommandations portant des modifications
à la structure du personnel
académique, notamment en ce
qui a trait à la précarisation des
emplois, car il s'agit de certains
des « aspects les plus troublants »
du rapport.

Même si le rapport indique qu'il est nécessaire de rendre les carrières dans le secteur universitaire et collégial plus attirantes, M. Robinson affirme que les principales recommandations viennent saper cet objectif. Le rapport reconnaît que la précarisation s'est accrue, mais appelle néanmoins les universités et les collèges à adopter des contrats d'emploi « plus souples ».

Le rapport reconnaît également que les salaires du personnel académique sont trop bas, mais soutient que plutôt que d'accorder une augmentation générale à tous les membres (ce qui serait trop

coûteux selon ses conclusions), les établissements d'enseignement devraient jouir d'une grande discrétion en ce qui concerne les hausses de salaire au mérite.

« Si nous avons appris quelque chose à propos de la rémunération au mérite, c'est bien ceci : elle est extrêmement coûteuse à gérer, elle est presque toujours perçue comme arbitraire et elle rend presque tout le monde malheureux », souligne M. Robinson.

Le rapport appelle également au dégroupement des emplois dans le secteur universitaire et collégial afin de séparer les postes d'enseignement des postes de recherche et prétend que le système de titularisation n'est en fait peut-être pas nécessaire pour garantir la liberté académique. Le rapport conclut que les établissements doivent trouver des façons de « faire concorder la liberté académique avec leurs propres objectifs ».

« Il démontre en fait une compréhension limitée et très insuffisante de la liberté académique », indique M. Robinson. « La liberté d'expression fait également une place au droit du personnel académique d'exprimer son opinion sur l'établissement ou le système dans lequel il travaille, sans être exposé à la censure. Le rapport de l'OCDE suggère que la liberté prend fin lorsqu'il y a conflit entre les priorités du personnel et celles de l'établissement. Et un tel point de vue limite sérieusement la liberté académique. »

# **Support for Lowering or Freezing Tuition Fees at New High: Poll**

Ewant tuition fees frozen or lowered, according to a poll published this month.

The cost of a university or college education is seen as the number one challenge facing policymakers, with almost 50% of Canadians surveyed saving any new funding for post-secondary education should be directed first to reducing tuition lees, according to the Harris/Decima poll commissioned by CAUT and the Canadian Federation of Students.

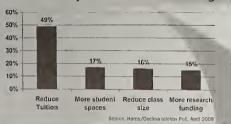
A slight majority (51%) also said a university or college degree today is so important that tuition fees should be eliminated, while the poll found 47% saying students should pay some costs.

CAUT president Penni Stewart said the results demonstrate that students and their families are struggling to cope with education costs.

Politicians and our university and college presidents need to hear the message that fees are pushing education beyond the means of more and more families," Stewart said.

Six in 10 polled in the survey agreed it's more difficult for ordinary people to alford a college or university education than in the recent past.

#### **Public Opinion** Main Priority for new PSE Funding



On the national political front, the poll shows a statistical dead heat between the Conservatives (31%) and the Liberals (31%). The NDP is in third place at 14% while the Green Party has the support of 12% of Canadian voters.

In Quebec, the Bloc Quebecois is the choice of 42% of voters, with the Liberals trailing at 20%. Conservative Party support in Ouchec has waned, with 11% voter support, just behind the NDP at 13% and the Green Party at 12%.

Survey respondents also expressed support for academic staff. When asked whether they believed "university and college teachers are doing a good job under difficult circumstances," 74% of poll respondents said yes, another 66% said they "personally trust the opinions of academic stalf," and 55% disagreed that university and college teachers earn too much

"Despite the stereotypical comments many of us have heard about professors, Canadians hold us and the work we do in extremely high regard," Stewart said.

The Harris/Decima poll results are based on a sample of 2,000 adult Canadians interviewed between April 17 and April 28, 2008, and are considered accurate within 2.2 percentage points, 19 times in 20.

immary of the poll results can be downloaded at http://www.caut.ca/uploads/ Decima-Spring-2008.pdf.

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# Sondage : les Canadiens appuient le gel ou la réduction des frais de scolarité

N SONDAGE d'opinion Harris/ Un sondage d opinion ? ..... Décima dont les résultats ont été publiés ce mois-ci révèle que huit Canadiens sur dix sont favorables à un gel ou à une baisse des frais de scolarité dans les universités et les collèges.

Il ressort de ce sondage commandé par l'ACPPU et la Fédération canadienne des étudiantes et étudiants que l'éducation universitaire ou collégiale est considérée comme étant la principale priorité à laquelle doivent s'atteler les responsables politiques. De plus, près de la moitié des Canadiens interrogés estiment que tout nouveau financement pour l'éducation postsecondaire devrait servir avant tout à réduire le niveau des frais de scolarité.

Une faible majorité (51 %) de répondants croient que l'importance d'acquérir un diplôme d'études universitaires ou collégiales justifie en soi la suppression des frais de scolarité, tandis que 47 % estiment que les étudiants devraient participer au coût de leurs études.

Pour la présidente l'ACPPU, Penni Stewart, les résultats du sondage démontrent que les étudiants et leurs familles

ont de la difficulté à faire face au coût de l'éducation.

« Il faut que les dirigeants politiques, les recteurs de nos universités et les directeurs de nos collèges prennent réellement conscience qu'en raison des frais de scolarité, l'éducation devient trop coûteuse pour de plus en plus de familles », note Mme Stewart.

Six répondants sur dix trouvent qu'il est aujourd'hui plus difficile financièrement pour les gens ordinaires de suivre des études collégiales ou universitaires que ces dernières années.

Sur le plan politique national, le sondage indique que le Parti conservateur et le Parti libéral se retrouvent statistiquement ex æquo, obtenant tous les deux la préférence de 31 % des répondants. Ils sont suivis, en troisième place, par le Nouveau parti démocratique (14 %), puis par le Parti Vert (12 %).

Au Québec, le Bloc Québécois obtient la laveur de 42 % des répondants, suivi loin derrière par le Parti libéral (20 %). Les appuis au Parti conservateur sont en cluite à 11 %, tandis que le NPD en récoltent 13 % et le Parti Vert 12 %.

D'autre part, les répondants au

sondage soutiennent de façon générale le personnel académique des établissements postsecondaires. À la question leur demandant si. selon eux, les professeurs d'université et de collège accomplissaient un bon travail dans des circonstances difficiles, 74 % d'entre eux ont répondu par l'affirmative, 66 % ont dit faire confiance aux opinions du personnel académique et 55 % ne trouvent pas que les professeurs d'université et de collège gagnent

« Malgré les commentaires stéréotypes que bon nombre d'entre nous ont pu entendre sur les professeurs, les Canadiens ont une très grande estime pour nous et pour le travail que nous faisons », se félicite Mmc Stewart.

Les données du sondage Harris/ Décima ont été recueillies du 17 au 28 avril 2008 auprès de 2 000 Canadiens adultes, La marge d'erreur d'un échantillon de cette taille est de 2,2 %, 19 fois sur 20.

Un résumé des résultats du sondage pent être téléchargé (en anglais sculement) à l'adresse http://www.caut.ca/nploads/ Decima-Spring-2008.pdf.

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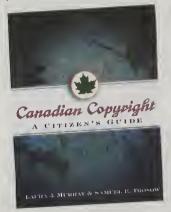
# **BOOKSHELF COIN DES LIVRES**

# **Comprehensive Look at How Copyright Laws Affect Canadians**

Canadian Copyright: A Citizen's Guide

Laura J. Murray & Samuel E. Trosow, Toronto: Between the Lines, 2007; 224 pp; ISBN 978-1-897071-30-4, paper \$24.95 CA.

By JAY RAHN



CCORDING to Article 27 of the United Nations Universal Declaration of Human Rights (1948), "Everyone has the right freely to participate in the cultural life of the community, to enjoy the arts and to share in scientific advancement and its benefits," and "Everyone has the right to the protection of the moral and material interests resulting from any scientific, lierary or artistic production of which he is the author."

As professors and librarians, CAUT members have a stake in these values, because our jobs involve producing and disseminating scientific, literary and artistic works so that our peers, our students and our fellow citizens can enjoy and share in their advancement and benefits.

As academics, we should be grateful to Laura Murray and Samuel Trosow for their book on Canadian Copyright, as they provide the first comprehensive account of ways in which intellectual property law affects our work as Canadian users and creators of intellectual property.

In refreshing contrast to previous treatments intended for non-lawyers, Murray and Trosow distinguish between, on one hand, the rights of users and creators, and on the other, financial motivations of corporations and such risk-averse institutions as university administrations. A related theme of their survey is the marked difference between the public good and the narrower concerns of making and saving money.

Chief among the specifically Canadian principles of copyright is "fair dealing" briefly, the right to copy for the purpose of research, criticism, review, news reporting, and private study. As the authors emphasize, the 2004 Supreme Court decision in CCH Canadian Ltd. vs. the Law Society of Upper Canada has established fair dealing as a robust basis for Canadian users' rights. Also of importance to Canadian academics has been SOCAN vs. CAHP, which saves such Internet service providers as universities from liability for the content of intellectual property that might pass through them.

As well, Murray and Trosow detail how existing Canadian copyright law protects creators' moral rights, e.g., effects that distortion or lack of attribution in copies of their works width bare on their consional reputations. The authors also show how, in an effort to share and advance their work more directly with users, Canadian creators have increasingly bypassed corporate gatekeepers and profit-takers through Creative Commons licenses, Open Source programming and Open Access publications. Nonetheless, such user- and creator-lirendly resources are not the whole story of Canadian copyright.

At present, Canadian users and creators have no explicit protection from frivolous lawsuits by deep-pocketed plaintiffs. Crown copyright, a Canadian anomaly among developed countries, constrains the use of government-published materials by the very taxpayers who have already paid for their generation. Moreover, as Murray and Trosow indicate, such international treaties as NAFTA, the WTO's TRIPS, and the WIPO agreements would constrain users and creators, as would recent and ongoing attempts at copyright reform by the federal government.

In particular, the authors detail how Canada's current copyright law comprises a bewildering thicket of exceptions concerning so-called "educational uses" — a tangled web of anomalies that would have been complicated even further by Bill C-60, which fortunately was abandoned when the Liberal government fell in 2005.

Even more confusing, especially in a digital age of multimedia communication, are the differing ways in which Canadian copyright law treats works of literature, film, music, visual art and design. Further, as the authors reveal, the termination of copyright is handled so oddly in current Canadian law that an unpublished work entered the public domain Dec. 31, 2003 if its author died Dec. 31, 1948, but such a work will not be free from copyright constraint until Dec. 31, 2049 if the author died on the next day. Jan. 1, 1949.

Fortunately, Murray and Trosow guide the reader through such murky waters with clarity, grace and good humour. Written concisely, any of the book's brief chapters could be reasonably assigned to undergraduates in several fields, and the whole book should be read all Canadian academics.

To be sure, Canadian copyright law can change quickly, as shown by the last major round of amendments in 1997 and the case of *CCHvv. LSUC* in 2004. All the same, Murray and Trosow's book should remain valuable for years to come and no doubt will see a revised edition if there is major new legislation.

One of the book's great strengths is its emphasis on longstanding traditions that have shaped, and will continue to shape, Canadians' understanding of intellectual property—not only traditions of the UK. France and the United States, but also cultural practices of First Nations.

Within these frameworks, the authors' focus on enduring principles not only illuminates their more detailed discussions of case law but also should provide the reader with a firm basis on which to ask intelligent questions about Canadian intellectual property. For, as Murray and Trosow conclude, "Copyright, like other law, is too important to be left to lawyers, politicians and lobbyists."

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#### Research Ethics and the Internet: Negotiating Canada's Tri-Council Policy Statement

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Heather Kitchin helps readers pick their way through the minefield that stands in the way of all who seek to find clarity as to the ethics of Internet research. The Internet poses new

challenges to researchers, and the author clearly discusses these challenges in all their complexity. Issues of copyright, privacy and ethical use of Internet materials loom large. In Research Ethics and the Internet, Kitchin analyzes contradictions between the federal Tri-Council Policy Statement and university-based research ethics boards and officers a simple solution to policy makers who grapple with the ethics of internet research.



#### How to Write for a General Audience: A Guide for Academics Who Want to Share Their Knowledge With the World and Have Fun Doing It

Kathleen A. Kendall-Tackett. Washington: American Psychological Association; 2007; 352 pp; ISBN: 978-0-9792125-3-6, paper \$19.95 US.

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# The Creator as Critic & Other Writings by E.M. Forster

Jeffrey M. Heath, ed. Toronto: Dundurn Press; 2007; 650 pp; IS8N: 978-1-5500252-2-4, hardcover \$90.00 CA.

E.M. Forster, whose novels, including A Room with a View, Hawards End, and A Passage to India, probe the values of the English middle class, is recognized as one of the 20th century's most distinguished authors. He was also a

highly-respected literary critic. The Creator as Critic contains more than 40 of Forster's hitherto-unpublished essays, lectures and memoirs, spanning the period 1898 to 1960. They reflect his views on a wide range of authors: Coleridge, Tolstoy, Pater, Wilde, James, Hardy, Butler, Housman, Kipling, Joyce, Lawrence, Proust, Cavafy and others. This book also presents the original texts of some 30 broadcasts made by Forster for the BBC between 1928 and 1959. These radio talks, collected for the lirst time in this volume, are the thoughtful and thought-provoking products of Forster's active engagement with the literary, political and social events of his time.

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# Manitoba Scholar Wins CAUT's Highest Award

JOHN LOXLEY, a professor of economics at the University of Manitoba, has won the 2008 CAUT Distinguished Academic Award.

A three-person jury unanimously recommended Loxley for the award, which recognizes academics who have excelled in their teaching, research and service to both the institution and the community.

Loxley said receiving the award was a surprise.

"I feel very honoured. I have great respect for CAUT, so this award is a double privilege," he said.

The jury noted that Loxley's research in his field of finance has had a "major impact" on development economics and community economic development; that his commitment to teaching plays a key role in enhancing the educational experience of students at

CAUT past president Loretta Czemis congratulates University of Manitoba economics professor John Loxley on winning a special academic award on May 3.

both undergraduate and graduate levels; and that his "extraordinary service record reflects his principled commitment to making academic work relevant to those who most need advocacy in the struggle for social justice and a decent life."

The award, given annually since 2006, includes a cash prize, a plaque and an invitation to address the CAUT spring Council session.

Loxley attended along with members of his family to receive the award in Ottawa. His address to Council will be published this fall.

Transcripts of previous winners' acceptance speeches can also be accessed on the CAUT web site. ■

# Remise du prix spécial du mérite de l'ACPPU

Le Prix 2008 de l'ACPPU pour à services émérites a été décerné à John Loxley, professeur de science économique à l'Université du Manitoba.

C'est par un vote unanime que le jury de trois membres a recommandé l'attribution au professeur Loxley de ce prix qui récompense les membres du personnel académique excellant dans les divers aspects de la profession : enseignement, recherche et services à leur établissement et à l'ensemble de la collectivité.

M. Loxley a avoué qu'il ne s'attendait vraiment pas à recevoir une telle récompense. « C'est un grand privilège et j'en suis très honoré, d'autant plus que j'éprouve beaucoun de respect nour l'ACPPU.»

d'autant plus que j'éprouve beaucoup de respect pour l'ACPPU » Le jury a souligné que les travaux de recherche du professeur dans son domaine de spécialisation qu'est la finance ont une incidence considérable sur l'économie du développement et le développement économique des collectivités, que son intérêt à l'enseignement contribue de façon cruciale à l'enrichissement de l'expérience éducative tant au premier cycle qu'aux (cl-haut) Loretta Czemis, présidente sortante de l'ACPPU, en compagnie de John Loxley, professeur de science économique à l'Université du Manitoba, à qui été décemé un prix spécial du mérite le 3 mal.

cycles supérieurs, et que le bilan édifiant de ses réalisations témoigne de son engagement réglé par des principes à rendre le travail académique le plus proche possible des réalités de ceux et celles qui ont le plus besoin de défenseurs dans leur quête de justice sociale et de conditions de vie satisfaisantes.

conditions de vie satisfaisantes. Remis tous les ans depuis 2006, le prix comprend une rétribution, une plaque ainsi qu'une invitation à prendre la parole devant le Conseil de l'ACPPU lors de l'assemblée du printemps.

À la cérémonie de remise du prix qui s'est tenue à Ottawa, M. Loxley était accompagné des membres de sa famille. Le texte de son allocution devant le Conseil sera publié à l'automne.

Les transcriptions des discours de remerciement des lauréats précédents sont accessibles sur le site web de l'ACPPU.

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After 9/11, governments introduced anti-terror laws that put civil liberties at risk and eliminated long-standing legal protections. Turk and Manson bring together leading experts from Canada, the U.S., Australia, and the United Kingdom to take stock of these laws and their implications for free speech and academic freedom. This book also puts today's situation into perspective by looking at the treatment of scholars and intellectuals during similar periods, as when Bertrand Russell was fired from Cambridge during the First World War and American and Canadian academics were mistreated during the Cold War years. In addition to analyzing the impact of anti-terror laws, the contributors to this book offer proposals that would better protect freedom of expression, academic freedom and civil liberties.

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# The Subprime Market & International Higher Education

By PHILIP G. ALTBACH

F MAY BE illuminating to compare the current subprime mortgage and housing-sector crisis in the United States and developments in international higher education. First, buyers and the housing and financial industries wanted to participate in a growing and Incrative housing market, just as many groups in the higher education industry now want to be players in international higher education. Housing prices were rising fast, and not many questions were asked about products, sellers, or buyers. This market was allowed to function without constraint. Then, a certain "irrational exuberance" set in, with the market becoming saturated and many speculators entering, in a way, a "bubble" mentality. Some buyers wanted to make a quick profit while others failed to recognize the risks of the new loans. Financial institutions got caught up and invented ever more complicated loan structures to spread risk globally. There was soon a growing recognition of the problems with the overheated housing and mortgage markets - inadequate supervision, oversupply of products, unsustainable costs, unfulfillable promises and other challenges. In the mortgage/housing environment, the bubble has burst and many countries face very serious economic and social consequences. It is also noteworthy that the mortgage and housing crisis started in the largest market - the United States - and is spreading worldwide.

International higher education stands somewhere in the middle of the cycle somewhere between irrational exuberance and a bubble. Now is the time to look at which actions are sustainable

and which are not, what policy will serve the interests of students and the academic community and which actions constitute mistaken policy or simple greed.

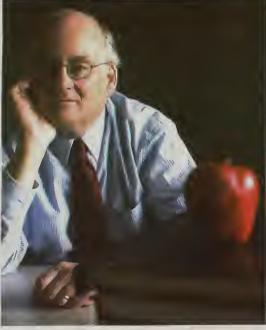
The academic community is committed to internationalization, although motivations differ and some institutions have no clear idea why they are involved. A recent survey by the International Association of Universities of academic leaders worldwide shows a huge variation of motiva-

tions, ranging from more internationally oriented students and staff and curricular improvement, to building a "name brand," global collaboration, providing opportunities for research and many others. Curiously, only a small minority of academic leaders cited earning income from international initiatives—an especially surprising point of view given that the Australian and British governments have emphasized earning money as a key goal of internationalization. University presidents, vice chancellors and rectors from Europe and North America have been

trooping to China and India prospecting for international business such as branch campuses, collaborative linkages and joint-degree arrangements.

#### The Landscape

We know a few things about the international higher education landscape. There are perhaps three million students studying outside their own countries—with the largest number from Asia—with the largest number matriculating in the major English-speaking academic powers. An Australian study estimated there will be eight million international students by 2025, since cross-border study continues to be big business. No one knows how many branch campuses exist, but estimates are in the many hundreds—almost all of them located in developing or middle-income



International higher education stands somewhere between irrational exuberance and a bubble, says Philip Altbach.

countries. The growth of "American University of ... (fill in the blank)" is rapid as well. In addition to old and respected American-linked universities in Cairo and Beirut, institutions using the term "American" and often teaching in English are proliferating throughout the developing world, joined recently by institutions with

oping world, joined recently by institutions with "German," "French," or "Canadian" in their names. The expansion of academic offerings in English worldwide has created a new market for programs and for professorial mobility. The global higher education marketplace is large, growing and basically unregulated. It is indeed the "Wild West," or more appropriately, the "Wild East."

#### The Problems

IN HIGHER education, one might take the view that "the market will sort itself out" and thus leave hands off. Here again

the subprime mortgage crisis represents a certain analogy regarding higher education. By permitting unscrupulous players to perform and by encouraging more respectable hanks to buy up risky debt without much regulation or restriction, the world has reached today's crisis. The financial instruments being used are very complex and institutions worldwide have purchased them, reducing whatever accountability might have previously existed.

There is a similar mentality in the world of international higher education. Everyone can get into the market for international higher education. Sellers, including academic institutions and for-profit education providers, can easily enter the global market by selling educational products and services in a largely unregulated marketplace. Some of the sellers are prestigious universities hoping to build links overseas, recruit top students to their home campuses and strengthen their name

brands in the world market. Many of the sellers are themselves subprime institutions — sleazy recruiters, degree packagers, low-end private institutions seeking to stave off bankruptcy through the export market and even a few respectable universities forced by government funding cutbacks to enter foreign markets for profit making.

Buyers such as students, but also including some academic institutions in developing countries, are similarly unregulated, sometimes illinformed and often naive. Tragically, students and their families buy international educational services without much information or understanding. Sometimes recruited to study abroad at subprime schools, or motivated more by the desire to seek employment than to study, students may be shortchanged. Uninformed or simply avaricious institutions in developing countries may partner with low-quality colleges and universities in, for example, the United States, Australia, or the United Kingdom, and receive substandard teaching or degree courses. Regulatory agencies may be entirely missing or inappropriate, thus making quality assurance impossible to achieve. There are not enough top-quality universities in countries like China and India to absorb all of the potential overseas partners. Further, most academic institutions worldwide lack the infrastructures to successfully engage in sophisticated international programs and initiatives.

#### How to Avoid a Crisis

TRANSPARENCY is a key step for building a healthy international higher education environment. This approach means obtaining accurate information about the scope and extent of international higher education governments, international and regional organizations and by universities. Information about motives and policies would also be useful, although now very little reliable information is available. The market should not be left to determine the success or failure of international higher education. Some interests, especially the governments of the major "sellers" such as the United States, Australia, and the United Kingdom and the for-profit education industry, argue that the doors to international commerce in higher education should be open and that this openness should be legislated by the World Trade Organization through the General Agreement on Trade in Services. Such forced openness would leave the world subject to whatever irrational exuberance and bubble mentality that is now evident in the mortgage industry and is increasingly in higher education.

The world also needs clear regulation, probably by government authority, to ensure that national interests are served and students and their families are not subjected to shoddy business practices by unscrupulous education providers. This will also help academic institutions themselves think about their motivations for entry into the global education market. Internationalization, including student mobility, cross-border educational provision and involvement in the global knowledge economy of the 21<sup>st</sup> century, is a positive and inevitable element of global higher education. What academe needs to avoid is succumbing to subprime practices and the inevitable crisis that will ensue.

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#### Saskatchewan

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PACPPU, lorsqu'on lui a demandè son opinion sur le sujet. « Ces projets de loi ne sont ni justes, ni objectifs. L'intention première est d'altérer la capacité des employès à exercer leur droit à la liberté d'association et à la négociation collective. »

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MM. Turk et Hubich font tous deux allusion à la décision rendue en juin 2007 par la Cour suprême du Canada qui déclarait inconstitutionnels certains articles du Health and Social Services Delivery Improvement Act de la Colombie-Britannique tout en confirmant le droit constitutionnel à la liberté d'association et le droit procédural à la négociation collective. Le liúge impliquait les syndicats du secteur des soins de santé de la Colombie-Britannique et leurs membres, qui remettaient en question la constitutionnalité de la loi en stipulant qu'elle brimait la liberté d'association et l'égalité garanties et protégées par la Charte canadienne des droits et libertés.

M. Hubich affirme que les syndicats du secteur public de la Saskatchewan envisagent maintenant d'engager une contestation judiciaire similaire.

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#### Tier II Chair in Health Education Research Faculty of Education

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The Canada Research Chair (CRC) program was established by the Government of Canada to enable Canadian Universities to achieve the highest levels of research excellence in the global, knowledge-based economy (http://www.chairs.gc.ca/). Tier 1 Chairs are for emerging researchers (less than 10 years for completion of their Ph.D.) that hold or are eligible to receive SSHRC funding, Applicants should demonstrate potential as leaders in their field, a strong for emerging national and international scholarly presence, an excellent teaching and graduate supervision record, the potential for attaining significant external funding, and a commitment to collaborative research. Recipients are eligible for inhastructure support through the Canada Foundation for Innovation (CFI). The Chair will participate, with a reduced teaching load for the duration of the CRC, in graduate and undergraduate teaching within the Faculty in graduate and undergraduate teaching within the Faculty in graduate and undergraduate teaching within the Faculty.

The University of New Brunswick is one of the oldest public universities in Canada, II offers degrees in more than 60 disciplines encompassing a range of academic and professional programs. The Faculty of Education offers graduale and undergraduate programs in teacher education and adult education. The Faculty is active in international programs and has been highly successful in obtaining research grants and contracts.

This tenure-track appointment will be at the rank of Assistant Professor or Associate Professor, depending on qualifications, and will be conditional on the successful candidate being approved as a Tier II Canada Research Chair. The successful candidate will have a PhD. in Educational Psychology or related discipline, demonstrated expertise in special or inclusive education, an outstanding record of research accomplishments, and show strong potential to become an international leader in his/her disciplinary area.

The University of New Brunswick is committed to employment equity and encourages applications from qualified women and men, visible minorities, aboriginal people, and persons with disabilities. All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadian clitzens and permanent residents will be given priority. We thank all applicants in advance for their interest, but only those short-listed will be contacted.

The deadline for receipt of applications is June 30, 2008, but applications will be considered as long as the position remains unfilled. The selected candidate will be required to work with the faculty of Education and the Office of Research Services to prepare a competitive nonthination package for submission to the CRC by early September 2008. The amticipated start date is July 1, 2009.



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Dr. Sharon Rich, Dean Faculty of Education University of New Brunswick Box 4400 Fredericton, NB E3B 5A3

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# Faculty Position in Genetic Biostatistics Department of Clinical Epidemiology and Biostatistics, McMaster University Biostatistics Unit, St. Joseph's Healthcare Hamilton

The Department of Clinical Epidemiology and Blostalistics (CE&B) at McMaster University and the Biostalistics Unit at St. Joseph's Healthcare Hamilton are offering a 3-year renewable faculty position in biostalistics at the level of associate (or experienced assistant) professor. You will develop a genelic statistics research program at the Biostatistics Unit, analyzing the influence of genetic data in the context of biological, environmental, and social determinants of health. Qualifications include a Ph.D. or equivalent in Biostatistics, an established record of research in genetic statistics demonstrated by publications in peer-tevewed journals and participation as PI or CoI one reviewed united research, expenience developing statistical methods for genetic epidemiology and health research, and proficiency with statistical applications in population genetics, clinical trials/health services research. An excellent record of collegiality and collaboration is required atong with expension in the application and teaching of biostatistics in health research and statistical consultation with clinician researchers.

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McMaster University is "research intensive" and perennially rated as the most innovalive university in Canada. Located mid-way between the Niagara Peninsula and Metropottan Toronto, it offers an unparalleled social, cultural and recreational living environment, and a challenging academic career in one of Canada's première health universities. The Department is world renowned for the pioneering nature and high quality of its research and education programs. CE&B provides an exciting academic environment, operating on a collegial model with interdisciplinary research teams and a mentorship program for junior faculty. For more information about CE&B, sust http://www.fhs.mcmaster.ca/ceb and for information about 1 the Faculty, go to http://www.fhs.mcmaster.ca/ceb and for information about 1 the Faculty, go to http://www.fhs.mcmaster.ca/ceb and for information about 1 the Faculty is on the Faculty of the Blostatistics Unit http://www.ths.cem.net/blostat\_intro.php in the Fafter Sean O'Sullivan Research Centre at St Joseph's Healthcare Hamilton.

This position will remain open until May 31, 2008 or until a suitable candidate is found. Applicants are invited to submit a curroulum vitae, a statement of research interests and academic goals, and the names of three referees, to: Dr. R. Brian Haynes, Department Chair, Clinical Epidemiology and Biostatistics, Faculty of Health Sciences, 1200 Main Street West, Hamilton, Ontario, Canada Len 325 Tel. 905 525 9140 ext. 24931 e mail: bhaynes@mcmaster.ca

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Applicants are expected to hold a PhD from a recognized and accredited university, have a defined and promising health research program, share a commitment to developing and implementing, with health sector stakeholders, innovative education and health research opportunities.

Assistant Professor ~ Health Policy and System

The successful applicant with have demonstrated expertise in the area of health policy, health system analysis and evaluation. Additional expertise in health economics would be viewed as an asset.

Assistant Professor - Diploma Program Coordinators

Assistant Professor – Diploma Program Coordinator: The successful applicant will have demonstrated expertise in health management, and health outcomes, and prior work experience in health management, particularly disaster manage-ment. Demonstrated leadership record enabling reformulation and management of web-based learning is essential. Additional expertise in health accounting would be viewed as an asset

Salary will commensurate with qualifications and experience.

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Applications, including curriculum vitue, the names of three academic and/or professional references and evidence of effectiveness in teaching, should be sent to the address below Consideration of applications will begin on July 1, 2008 and will continue until the positions are filled.

These positions are subject to hudgetary approval.

Dr. Joseph Byrne Dr. Joseph Byrne Professor and Director School of Health Services Administration Dalhousic University 5599 Fenwick Street Hailfax, Nova Scotia, B3H 1R2



### Assistant Professor, Material Culture and Design Studies

The Department of Human Ecology invites applications for a enure track Assistant Professor position in the area of Material Cullure and Design Studies.

The Department offers a BSc in Human Ecology with majors in Family Ecology and Textiles and Clothing; a combined BSc/ BEd; thesis and course-based Masters Degree in Textiles and Clothing, Family Ecology and Practice, and Aging, and a PhD degree in Human Ecology. The Department is extending its research and programming in Malerial Culture and is home to the newly-established Material Culture Institute, an interdisciplinary initiative that unites scholars and stimulates research in the diverse fields that contribute to the study of Material Culture

The Department has excellent facilities which include state of-the-art spaces for housing, exhibiting and teaching with our 18,000 artifact Clolhing and Textiles Collection, and for lextile science and social science research and teaching. For further information see www.hecol.ualberta.ca

Responsibilities will include teaching undergraduate and graduate courses, establishing an independent research program, and supervising graduate students in material culture The successful candidate will be expected to address teaching and research topics such as computer-assisted design, visual communication, cross-cultural and historic material culture, communication, closs-cultural and insolve material culture, sustainable design, and inclusive environments. Some aspects of design practice may be involved but primary focus is on design as an aspect of malerial culture studies within a human ecological framework. For a candidate with appropriate qualifications, the position may also include the appointment as Curator of the Clothing and Textiles Collection

Applicants must have a PhD in human ecology, material/ visual culture studies, design studies, social anthropology or other related area, and demonstrated excellence in university teaching, preferably in a human ecology or other inlerdisciplinary context. Evidence of a successful record of scholarship is important. The successful candidate will have a background that is a good fil with the Department of Human Ecology and be able to contribute to existing interdisciplinary educational and research programs. For appointment as Curator, previous experience in museum or other collection curatorship, preferably dealing with clothing and textile artifacts, is required.

The preferred start date for this position is July 1, 2008 but the competition will remain open until the position is filled. To apply, please submil a cover letter that addresses the requirements of the position and describes the focus of your scholarship, curriculum vitae, teaching dossier, sample publication and the names and contact information for Ihree referees. Review of applications will commence April 30, 2008.

Interested applicants may apply lo

Dr. Janet Fast, Chair Department of Human Ecology Room 302E Human Ecology University of Albert Edmonton, AB T6G 2N1 Email: janet.fast@ualberta.ca Fax: (780) 492-4821

All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority. If suitable Canadian citizens and permanent residents cannot be found, other individuals will be considered. The University of Alberta hires on the basis of ment. We are committed to the principle of equity in employment. We welcome diversity and encourage applications from all qualified women and men, including persons with disabilities, members of visible minorities, and Abordginal persons.



Are you a creative educator and researcher looking for a welcome change of scenery? Are you eager to make your personal mark in advancing knowledge and professional practice in a comprehensive university environment? Do you sea yourself working as part of a highly collaborative, innovative faculty team with new ways of thinking about our world? Then, Ryerson's Faculty of Engineering, Architecture and Science is where you want to be.

#### DEPARTMENT OF CIVIL ENGINEERING

Tenure-Track or Limited-Term Faculty Positions

The Department of Civil Engineering at Ryerson University, Toronto, Dntario, Canada, invites applications for two positions at the Assistant or Associate Professor level, with an expected start date of August 1, 2008. The two positions will be in the Risk and Project Management in Civil Engineering and the Structural Engineering areas. Successful candidates must have exceptional qualifications, and be capable of developing outstanding teaching and research programs. The two positions will be either a tenure-track or a four-year limited-term faculty, depending on the qualifications and experience of the successful applicants.

Successful applicants will be expected to: teach effectively at the undergraduate and graduate levels; supervise graduate students; participate in other educational, scholarly and professional activities; liaise with industry; and develop a research capability in the required areas of specialization. Applicants should have an earned PhD degree in Civil Engineering related to the required areas of specialization. Candidates are expected to have a strong commitment to teaching excellence at the undergraduate and graduate levels, and a demonstrable research ability to develop an externally funded, independent research program, and to publish in leading scholarly journals. Registration, or eligibility for registration, as a Professional Engineer in Dntario is mandatory.

The applicants for the Structural Engineering position should have research and industrial experience pertaining to one or more of the following: development of innovative construction materials and their structural applications; structural design; structural dynamics; and building applications. A capability of teaching relevant courses at the graduate level, such as engineering design, composite construction in steel, timber and concrete, steel-plated structures, bond in composite construction, and construction methods, will be an asset.

The applicants for the Risk and Project Management in Civil Engineering should have research expertise and teaching ability pertaining to one or more of the following: risk; asset integrity management; life cycle optimization; civil infrastructure management; uncertainty management; modelling and control for construction operations; and cost and constructability assessments and sustainability through quality assurance.

The Department of Civil Engineering has 18 faculty members, over 350 undergraduate students pursuing an accredited Bachelor of Engineering degree, and over 150 graduate students at the master's and doctorate levels. The Department offers a curriculum that encompasses the areas of structural, geotechnical, transportation, materials, and environmental engineering. Differings also include a unique Geomatics Engineering option. More information about the Department and our academic programs is available on our website at www.civil.ryerson.ca.

Interested candidates should submit a detailed resume, a brief statement of research and teaching interests, and the names and addresses of three referees, by May 1, 2008, to: Dr. Hesham Marzouk, Department Chair, Department of Civil Engineering, Ryerson University, 350 Victoria Street, Toronto, Ontario, M5B 2K3. Fax: 416-979-5122. E-mail: hmarzouk@ryerson.ca. The Search Committee will begin the review process immediately. The search will remain open until the positions are filled.

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#### CANADA RESEARCH CHAIR & ENDOWED CHAIR

The Prentice Institute for Global Population and Economy Tier 1 Canada Research and Endowed Chair Positions

The University of Lethbridge is recruiting a Canada Research Chair (Tier 1) and an Endowed Chair as members of the Prentice Institute for Global Population and Economy. The Chairs will be professors in an appropriate academic department, play vital roles in leading core research groups within the multi-disciplinary and multi-faculty Prentice Institute, and be candidates for the future role of Director of the Institute. It is anticipated that the Institute will partner with other national and international groups and institules working on related matters. The Institute will be housed in a new, purpose-built facility at The University of Lethbridge

The University is looking for expressions of interest in both Chair positions from individuals with world-class research programs and extensive expertise in global population, its relationship to social, cultural and economic well-being, ils relationship to social and economic development and resources, and the implications for global stability. The successful candidates will have recognized expertise informal demographics, including strong statistical and methodological techniques; and a broad knowledge of social demography and economics related to such areas as income inequality and family structure, migration, aging and fertility, health, labour markets, etc.

The Prentice Institute's central research mandate is to examine big-picture issues relating to global population changes within a broad historical tramework while also connecting local and regional changes with similar global trends. In doing so, the Institute will provide information and otherwise contribute to the development of policy options to guide Canadians and their governments in addressing some of the difficult challenges facing the world.

Candidates for the Tier 1 CRC Chair and the endowed Chair will be wellestablished scholars who have made major impacts in their fields of research. Additional information regarding the Canada Research Chairs programme is provided at www.chairs.gc.ca

The University of Lethbridge is one of Canada's top 10 primarily undergraduate universilies, grounded in liberal education and committed to providing its students with small classes, a personal experience, and the most vital and engaging learning environment in the country.

With several well developed centres of research, the University ot Lethbridge has also become a major research institution. The Prentice Institute is the newest of many research entities to establish itself on campus, thanks to the generosity of the Prentice tamily.

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#### Academic Geriatric Psychiatrist QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY AT KINGSTON

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The successful candidate will join an Interdisciplinary Academic Division and affiliated Service Network centered at Providence Care, Mental Health Services and join a team of highly skilled colleagues who bring a caring attitude to service, education and research across a wide range of Geriatric Psychiatry Inpatient, Outpatient and Outreach Services.

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For further inquiries and detailed information, please contact Dr. Kenneth Le Clair, Clinical Director, Geriatric Psychiatry Services, Providence Care, Mental Health Services, 752 King Street West, Kingston, ON K7L 4X3 Phone: (613) 548-5567 Ext 5928 Fax: (613) 540-6128 Email: lcclairk@providencecare.ca OR apply in confidence with a Fax: (0.3) 340-0128 Lands and Registron Registron of apply in confidence with a full curriculum vitac as well as the names and full contact information of three references. Review of applications will begin May 15 and continue until the position is filled.

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Western's strategic plan, Engaging the Future, focuses on providing the best student experience in a researchintensive university through student engagement and self-discovery; expanding and enriching the experience of graduate students in an environment supportive of academic, professional and personal growth; and building the research university through strategic investment in areas of established and emerging research strength. The University is planning a major capital campaign, to be launched in 2009

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Applicants should submit a cover letter, curriculum vitae, teaching philosophy and two signed letters of reference, by May 15, 2008, to: Dr. Darrick Heyd, Interim Chair, Department of Chemistry and Biology, 350 Victoria Street, Toronto, ON M58 2K3. E-mail: dheyd@gwemail.ryerson.ca.

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Please provide a current CV, a brief outline of five-year research goals, and three reference letters, to be sent under separate cover. Applications

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# Singing the Blues: The CBC & The Universities

N MARCH 27, 2008, the CBC sent an emissary to Vancouver. He was Mark Steinmetz, the head of CBC Radio music. This highly-placed bureaucrat came to tell the CBC Radio Orchestra that it would be disbanded in November.

The orchestra has a 70-year history. Its players are virtuoso musicians and its conductors a who's-who of Canadian concert music. Its budget once allowed for biweekly studio broadcasts and recording sessions. It bas been heard and loved across Canada, decade upon decade.

In earlier times, there were other CBC radio orchestras, including the Toronto-based CBC Symphony of the 1950s and 1960s. But for some years now, the Vancouver-based CBC Radio Orchestra has been North America's only broadcast ensemble.

The orchestra commissions and performs new works and showcases exceptional Canadian performers and conductors in addition to presenting established classics of the last 500 years to a national and international radio audience. The orchestra could - and still can - do this because its players are excellent and because it need not win popularity contests with commercial radio stations.

In short, the orchestra became a poster child for the Mother Corporation, living proof the CBC understood its mandate and lived up to it.

It is worth noting there are more than two dozen radio orchestras in Europe and the Americas, with a dozen in Germany and Austria alone. Politicians and cultural leaders in those countries find good reasons to keep their orchestras alive and well. There's a broad consensus that they operate at little cost — the price for our orchestra was about \$500,000 in 2007-2008 - and produce hugely positive results.

#### Warning for What's Coming

Now THE CBC Radio Orchestra is destined to die. It is something of a canary in the national mineshaft. It has been happily committed to playing the best music and especially the best Canadian music. It is a flagship of Canadian creativity and community. Its concert last year in Nunavut made points about sovereignty that any number of naval vessels could not do. Besides, it's fun to hear them play. In November, it passes out of this mortal coil.

The singing canary is a loyal creature. It sings until and unless it is deprived of oxygen or overcome by poisonous mine gas. In this case, the oxygen is cash and the gas is a form of short-sighted populism. Steinmetz insists the CBC must change - that it wants to be a mirror for musical activity in Canada. But the unhappy fate of the orchestra "canary" means the whole purpose and mandate of the CBC are at risk.

CBC management believes that to be a "mirror," CBC must restrict the hours when classical music can be played and must dissolve the orchestra. If the CBC is to be a mirror of Canadian culture, it means giving in to the creed of

populism. In that creed, pop, rock, hip-hop, easy-listening and world music are good just because they dominate the airwaves and the listening habits of young Canadians.

It's a tempting and insidious idea. After all, many Canadian artists perform pop, rock, folk, traditional and world music. They deserve to be beard and not only on commercial radio. But what a huge difference between a station where hosts spin records and a radio that features the thinking music of a nation our music, our composers and our performers.

By now, readers of the Bulletin will recognize unpleasantly familiar sounds and smells.

For the CBC story begins with budget cuts, managers, if need be. continues with "mandate slip" and confusion in governance, and ends with the evisceration of a public institution. Surely the recent history of Canadian public post-secondary education offers analogies in all three of these aspects.

PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENTS hit Canadian universities and colleges with sharp cuts in the early 1970s and again in 1983-1985. By 1983, the University of British Columbia would close an entire department and end the appointments of 13 tenured faculty members. UBC did it with regret, but they did it.



All my life, I've thought of the CBC as a kind of university of the air, says William Bruneau.

The cuts produced not only a lengthy crisis in faculty morale, but also, as the facts show, a deep crisis in the governance of higher education.

So with the CBC, where the loss of mandate-driven programming began with federal finance minister Paul Martin's funding reforms and continues under management able and apparently happy to lop off whole entities (viz. the orchestra) and revise programming to suit the "market." It is a failure of governance when a whole department can be "lopped off." Similarly, it is a failure of governance when a public broadcaster gives in to populism, managerialist fantasy and budgetary convenience.

#### Mandate Slip

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By 1995, as core funding dried up, university presidents found themselves under pressure when became obvious they would not receive significant new federal or provincial funding.

Administrators were nevertheless expected to use performance indicators and new "accountability" measures, if they were to receive any public funding. Grants, page counts, good PR, high graduation rates, high graduate employment rates, patents and an invention's commercial

potential, all of these became dominant considerations in university governance and in the daily life of classroom and laboratory teaching.

It was possible during the past three decades to neglect the central mandate of public post-secondary higher education: to provide excellent instruction in all fields of inquiry, to make that instruction accessible to every Canadian citizen capable of benefiting from it, to conduct research in every area of art and science, to build cultural strength and sustainable economic activity and to serve the public interest.

The mandate may be understood and interpreted in different ways in different regions of the country, yet the mandate remains. Or does it?

In the last 30 years the post-secondary mandate has noticeably weakened. The drive to build our reputation in Asia and Europe and to keep our ranking in lists such as the Times Higher-QS "World University Rankings" has been a distraction. So has the pressure on universities to show direct economic utility and the unceasing demand that universities be quick and nimble in their dance to the iob market's tune.

sizes, encourage a sensible professorial workload, encourage participatory university government, or provide for transparency in the universities' relations with corporate Canada.

#### **Evisceration**

OUR COMMON EXPERIENCE - with the CBC and the universities - is easy enough to see: Martin's cuts, the fiscal donothingism of the present Conservative government and the endless triumph of managerialism.

The parallels are striking, but so are the differences.

In the post-secondary education sector, we live in a strange world of vast expansion and endless cuts. In British Columbia, five universities were created this spring. In Quebec and Ontario, the overall number of places has risen significantly in the past 15 years. Funded research is now a crucial element in the budget-balancing work of universities across the land.

Similarly the CBC has been funded to increase its reach across Canada and through the Internet, to the world. New universities . . . new FM radio stations.

Still, it is dauntingly difficult to know how and why universities are using their provincial grants and their endowments and how and why the CBC board of directors chose to axe the Radio Orchestra and reduce its commitment to

At the CBC the ridiculous fixation on audience numbers - that is, with performance indicators - has undermined, and will continue to undermine, the autonomy and the intelligence of the public broadcaster. In my experience, Radio 2 has become nearly unlistenable for much of the day. One wonders how, in even the remotest of senses, its activities could be argued to follow from its legislated mandate. Under Steinmetz et al., it has become a purveyor of idiocy in the evening, and Kulcher lite in the afternoon.

I judge CBC is in worse shape than the universities.

Our governance arrangements have helped to keep us autonomous and less susceptible to mandate slip. Our sheer size also helps. The CBC budget in 2007-2008 was \$1.7 billion, whereas in 2006-2007, the University of Toronto spent \$1.2 billion and UBC had revenue of \$1.57 billion. Our canary is not going to expire this year or next.

The CBC has few potential sources of new income since it is politically inexpedient to reintroduce advertising on CBC Radio. Worse, its board of political appointees operates inside a kind of black box. Still worse, its upper management is willing and able to accept as gospel that the latest management trends and their own take on the Canadian cultural "temperature" are enough to guide them in making corporation policy.

The CBC Radio Orchestra may be the next victim of underfunding, of mandate slip and of managerialism gone amok. In six months the axe falls on the orchestra, and in the time remaining a national campaign may save it, and with it, an intelligent and culturally responsible Radio 2. On the other hand . .

All my life, I've thought of the CBC as a kind of university of the air. Indeed, we had a programme of that name when I was in high school. For a music-lover, the appearance in the 1960s of CBC FM (later Radio 2) was a dream come true, since it gave us a remarkable medium for musical, literary and general cultural expression showing what our country was and could be.

The universities and the CBC really are all about the common, or "public" good. In the short term, we owe it to ourselves to pay close attention to the CBC's fate and do what we can to save it - from its own managers, if need be. We may not be heading ineluctably down the CBC road, but we must be vigilant to ensure we choose a different and better road.

For information on a series of national campaigns to save the CBC Radio Orchestra and to resurrect Radio 2 as it ought to be, see http://standonguardforebc.ca.

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